

KANSAS RACING AND GAMING COMMISSION

MINUTES – MAY 21, 2021

CALL TO ORDER (A.)

Chairman David Moses called the May 21, 2021 meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The meeting was held via teleconference. Notice of this teleconference was given to the public via the KRGC website, Public Square website, and social media. Commissioners Brandon Jones, Larry Turnquist, Kelly Kultala and Dave Myres were also present. Others present included Executive Director Don Brownlee, General Counsel Judith Taylor, Director of Administration, Audit, and Finance Brandi White, Director of Information Technology and Cybersecurity Dennis Bachman, Director of Security and Electronic Gaming, Roger Bailey, LeeAnn Hanners, Accountant, and other staff.

MOTION, EXECUTIVE SESSION; PERSONNEL MATTERS; ATTORNEY- CLIENT PRIVILEGE AND BACKGROUND REPORTS (B.)

Commissioner Kultala (Jones) moved that the Commission go into executive session for the purpose of discussing attorney-client privileged communications and reviewing the list of confidential backgrounds for licensing. In addition to the commissioners, those included were the executive director and general counsel for the attorney-client privilege portion, and the executive director, general counsel, and director of security and electronic gaming for reviewing the list of confidential backgrounds for licensing. The total time for the executive session was anticipated to be twenty-five minutes until 10:00 a.m. No action is to be taken in executive session, and the subjects discussed are to be limited as previously described. A full record of this motion is to be maintained as part of the permanent record of the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission. At the conclusion of the executive session, the meeting is to be continued in open session. The motion carried 5-0 and the meeting was adjourned to executive session at 9:34 a.m.

RECONVENE (C.)

The commission meeting returned to open session at 10:03 a.m. with Chairman Moses, Commissioner Jones, Commissioner Turnquist, Commissioner Myres and Commissioner Kultala present. It was noted that the executive session lasted until 10:03 a.m. due to the delay in reopening the open session caused by the time taken to move between conference lines.

MOTION, APPROVE
AGENDA
(D.)

Commissioner Turnquist (Kultala) moved to approve the agenda.
Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION, APPROVE
April 16, 2021
MEETING MINUTES
(E.)

Commissioner Jones (Myres) moved to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2021 meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

MOTION, APPROVE
CONSENT AGENDA
(F.)

Commissioner Myres (Turnquist) moved to approve the consent agenda (seven items). Motion carried 5-0.

LOTTERY GAMING
FACILITY
REPORTS/ITEMS; BOOT
HILL CASINO & RESORT
(G.1.a.)

Diane Giardine, General Manager, reported:

- April 2021 revenue numbers compared to April 2019:
 - Total gaming revenue up 21.68%
 - Total slot revenue up 28.47%
 - Table games revenue down 27.83%
- Events and Promotions:
 - Weekly Kiosk Games
 - Spring cleaning appliance giveaway (April)
 - Weekly Food and Beverage Specials
 - Gift Promotions
 - DC Gamblers Minor League Basketball, April 10 & 17
 - Dodge City Law Arena Football, April 22
 - Everclear with Fastball, April 24
 - Mower Mania Giveaway (May)
 - Memorial Day Free Play Frenzy, May 30 & 31
 - Dodge City Law Arena Football, May 9 & 23
 - Lee Brice, May 14
 - Dodge City High School Graduation, May 22
- Boot Hill Casino's COVID-19 precautions and the impact on staff and patrons

LOTTERY GAMING
FACILITY
REPORTS/ITEMS; KANSAS
STAR
(G.2.a.)

Jeff Babinski, Vice President and General Manager, reported:

- April 2021 revenue numbers compared to April 2019:
 - Admissions down 26%
 - Total gross gaming revenue up 1.16%
 - Slot coin-in up 3.74%
 - Slot hold down 14 basis points
 - Table games drop down 5.87%
 - Table games hold up 110 basis points

- Poker room will remain closed indefinitely. Space will be converted to a non-smoking slot section with 58 slot machines.
- Events and Promotions:
 - Wichita Flea Market, April 17 & 18 and May 15 & 16
 - Wichita Force Football, April 19 and May 1 & 8
 - Marauder's Car Show, April 24
 - Mulvane High School Graduation
 - Kansas High School Rodeo Championship, May 28 & 29
 - Southern Plains Wrestling, June 4 & 5
 - Wichita Force Football, June 12
 - Wichita Flea Market, June 19 and 20
 - Wichita Force Football, June 21 and 26
 - Clint Black, August 27
 - Employees awarded 1 day PTO for getting vaccinated
- Kansas Star Casino's COVID-19 precautions and the impact on staff and patrons

LOTTERY GAMING
FACILITY
REPORTS/ITEMS;
HOLLYWOOD CASINO AT
KANSAS SPEEDWAY
(G.3.a.)

Rick Skinner, Vice President and General Manager, reported:

- April 2021 revenue numbers compared to April 2019:
 - Total gaming revenue up 2.7%
 - Slot revenue up almost 6%
 - Table games revenue down about 14% due to COVID restrictions
 - Poker room will reopen now that COVID social distancing restrictions have been lifted
- Events and Promotions:
 - \$150k Slot Play Bouquet, April 24th
 - Sizzlin Summer Scratchers, May 2nd
 - NASCAR Bushy McBush Race 400, May 2nd
 - \$10k Kansas Lottery Scratch Ticket Giveaway, May 7th
 - Hollywood Hi-Lo, May 14th
 - myHeroes Scratch Ticket Giveaway, May 15th
 - \$650,000 Pick, Pull & Win, May 22nd
 - Coleman Cooler Giveaway, May 29th
 - \$25k Summer Kickoff Giveaway, May 30th
 - Partnership with Sporting KC started again with park, eat and play with a Hollywood East Gate entrance
 - Slot Play on Shot Day - \$10 free play with showing of fully vaccinated CDC card

- Hollywood Casino's COVID-19 precautions and the impact on staff and patrons

LOTTERY GAMING
FACILITY
REPORTS/ITEMS; KANSAS
CROSSING CASINO
(G.4.a.)

Jeff McKain, General Manager, reported:

- April 2021 revenue numbers compared to April 2019:
 - Admissions down 26.1%
 - Net slot revenue up 24.7%
 - Coin in up 7.3%
 - Table games drop down 14.1%
 - Net gaming revenue up 18.9%
- Events and Promotions:
 - Casino Hot Seats Monday, April 5th & 19th
 - Casino Hot Seats Monday, May 3rd & 17th
 - Point Multiplier Kiosk games, every Tuesday
 - Camp 49 Hot Seats and lunch specials, every Wednesday
 - Casino Hot Seats, every Thursday
 - Casino Hot Seats, every Friday
 - Bank Buster Progressive Drawings, April 30th & May 28th
 - Casino Gift Day every Saturday
 - Bonus gift day, Sunday April 25th
 - Employees got paid PTO day for vaccinations, given in April and May
 - Hosted a public pop up clinic for vaccinations
- Kansas Crossing Casino's COVID-19 precautions and the impact on staff and patrons

COMMISSION ITEMS –
OLD BUSINESS
(H.)

There were no old business items.

COMMISSION ITEMS –
NEW BUSINESS
(I.)

Brandi White, Director of Administration, Finance, and Audit presented the proposal for the Kansas Greyhound Association to administer the Kansas Greyhound Registry for calendar year 2021.

MOTION – KANSAS
GREYHOUND
ASSOCIATION 2021
CONTRACT (I.)

Commissioner Myres (Jones) moved to table a decision on renewal of the contract for the Kansas Greyhound Association to administer the Kansas Greyhound Registry for calendar year 2021 with no funding provided by KRGC. Motion to table carried 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
(J.)

Julia Ward, President, National Greyhound Association, spoke regarding greyhound breeding and extended an invitation to her farm.

STAFF REPORTS
(K.1.a. and K.2)

Judith Taylor, General Counsel, reported on the Voluntary Exclusion Program statistics for the month of April 2021.

Executive Director Brownlee reported:

- The legislature returns May 26th for sine die.
- No bills affecting KRGC were passed. Sports wagering did not pass, nor did a bill increasing state employee pay 2.5 percent.
- Most casino restrictions have been lifted; however, mask requirements will remain in place until May 28th, primarily to see if all goes well without social distancing requirements.
- State buildings will reopen to the public for near-normal operations on June 14th. Masks are required for employees who have not been vaccinated.
- KRGC implemented a policy that allows employees to request to work from home if circumstances make it unsafe or uncomfortable to work in the office.
- The June 11th meeting will take place prior to the June 14th reopening, so the commission will be required to meet once again by phone.
- The July 23rd meeting can take place in person if the commission desires to do so.

MOTIONS ON LICENSE
APPLICATIONS
(L.1)

Commissioner Turnquist (Jones) moved to *conditionally approve one* license application, *table one* license application, and *approve the remaining 141* license applications from the May 21, 2021 list of background reports referred to the commission for action. The motion carried 5-0.

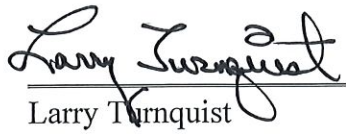
OTHER BUSINESS
(L.2)

No other business.

ADJOURN
(M.)

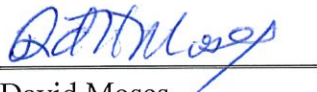
The next commission meeting is on June 11, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. The meeting will likely be held by teleconference. Commissioner Myres (Kultala) moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 1:17 p.m.

SUBMITTED BY:

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Larry Turnquist
Secretary

APPROVED BY:

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David Moses
Chairman